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WESTERN STATES MINERALS CORPORATION

September 18, 1995

Ms. Pamela Grubaugh-Littig, Permit Supervisor
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Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
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RE: **Permit Renewal - J.B. King Mine, Western States Minerals Corporation, ACT/015/002, Emery County, UT.**

Dear Pam:

Please find enclosed a signed copy of the J.B.King Mine Permit Renewal. However, on page 2 under Section 8, Environmental Impacts, I modified the language slightly as follows: I struck **possible,** and inserted **reasonable and necessary** in its place, and initialed and dated this change in the column. Everything else appeared acceptable. I hope this modification doesn't cause you any problems. If necessary, Jim Carter can initial his copy and you can send me a copy of that for my records; and if not, then what I have will suffice.

Thank you for the diligence that you have committed to this permit renewal; I appreciate your efforts. If I can be of further assistance to you, please call me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

E.M. Gerick

E.M. (Buzz) Gerick
Vice President of Operations

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Permit Number
ACT/015/002

August 13, 1995

STATE OF UTAH
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
355 West North Temple
3 Triad Center, Suite 350
Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203
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This permit **ACT/015/002**, is issued for the state of Utah by the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (Division) to:

WESTERN STATES MINERALS CORPORATION
4975 Van Gordon Street
Wheat Ridge, Colorado 80033
(303) 425-7042

for the J. B. King Mine. A performance bond is filed with the Division in the amount of $126,078, payable to the state of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining. The Division must receive a copy of this permit signed and dated by the permittee.

Sec. 1 **STATUTES AND REGULATIONS** - This permit is issued pursuant to the Utah Coal Mining and Reclamation Act of 1979, Utah Code Annotated (UCA) 40-10-1 et seq., hereafter referred to as the Act.

Sec. 2 **PERMIT AREA** - The permittee is authorized to conduct reclamation activities on the following described lands within the permit area at the J.B. King Mine, situated in the state of Utah, Emery County:

Township 23 South, Range 6 East, SLBM

Sec. 32: SE1/4 NW1/4 (21 acres ± disturbed)
Sec. 33: N1/2 NE1/4 SW1/4 (7 acres ± disturbed)

This legal description is for the permit area of the J.B. King Mine. The permittee is authorized to conduct reclamation activities and related surface activities on the foregoing described property subject to the conditions of all applicable conditions, laws and regulations.

Sec. 3 **COMPLIANCE** - The permittee will comply with the terms and conditions of the permit, all applicable performance standards and requirements of the State Program.

Sec. 4 **PERMIT TERM** - This revised permit becomes effective on August 13, 1995, and expires on August 13, 2000.

Sec. 5 **ASSIGNMENT OF PERMIT RIGHTS** - The permit rights may not be transferred, assigned, or sold without the approval of the Division Director. Transfer, assignment, or sale of permit rights must be done in accordance with applicable regulations including, but not limited to, 30 CFR 740.13{e} and R614-303-300.

Sec. 6 **RIGHT OF ENTRY** - The permittee shall allow the authorized representative of the Division including, but not limited to, inspectors, and representatives of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM), without advance notice or a search warrant, upon presentation of appropriate credentials, and without delay to:

(a) have the rights of entry provided for in 30 CFR 840.12, R645-400-220, 30 CFR 842.13 and R645-400-120.

(b) be accompanied by private persons for the purpose of conducting an inspection in accordance with R645-400-100 and R645-400-200, when the inspection is in response to an alleged violation reported to the Division by the private person.

Sec. 7 **SCOPE OF OPERATIONS** - The permittee shall conduct reclamation activities only on those lands specifically designated as within the permit area on the maps submitted in the approved plan and approved for the term of the permit and which are subject to the performance bond.

Sec. 8 **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS** - The permittee shall take all ~~possible~~ reasonable and necessary steps to minimize any adverse impact to the environment or public health and safety resulting from noncompliance with any term or condition of the permit, including, but not limited to: 9-18-9

(a) any accelerated or additional monitoring necessary to determine the nature and extent of noncompliance and the results of the noncompliance;

(b) immediate representation of measures necessary to comply; and

(c) warning, as soon as possible after learning of such noncompliance, any person whose health and safety is in imminent danger due to the noncompliance.

Sec. 9 **CONDUCT OF OPERATIONS** - The permittee shall conduct its operations:

(a) in accordance with the terms of the permit to prevent significant, imminent environmental harm to the health and safety of the public; and;

(b) utilizing methods specified as conditions of the permit by the Division in approving alternative methods of compliance with the performance standards of the Act, the approved Utah State Program and the Federal Lands Program.

Sec. 10 **EXISTING STRUCTURES** - As applicable, the permittee will comply with R645-301 and R645-302 for compliance, modification, or abandonment of existing structures.

Sec. 11 **DISPOSAL OF POLLUTANTS** - The permittee shall dispose of solids, sludge, filter backwash or pollutants in the course of treatment or control of water or emission to the air in the manner required by the approved Utah State Program and the Federal Lands Program which prevents violation of any applicable state or federal law.

Sec. 12 **AUTHORIZED AGENT** - The permittee shall provide the names, addresses and telephone numbers of persons responsible for operations under the permit to whom notices and orders are to be delivered.

Sec. 13 **COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS** - The permittee shall comply with the provisions of the Water Pollution Control Act (33 USC 1151 et seq) and the Clean Air Act (42 USC 7401 et seq), UCA 26-11-1 et seq, and UCA 26-13-1 et seq.

Sec. 14 **PERMIT RENEWAL** - Upon expiration, this permit may be renewed for areas within the boundaries of the existing permit in accordance with the Act, the approved Utah State Program and the Federal Lands Program.

Sec. 15 **CULTURAL RESOURCES** - If during the course of mining operations, previously unidentified cultural resources are discovered, the permittee shall ensure that the site(s) is/are not disturbed, and shall notify the Division. The Division, after coordination with OSM, shall inform the permittee of necessary actions required. The permittee shall implement the mitigation measures required by Division within the time frame specified by the Division.

Sec. 16 **APPEALS** - The permittee shall have the right to appeal as provided for under R645-300-200.

The above conditions (Secs. 1-16) are also imposed upon the permittee's agents and employees. The failure or refusal of any of these persons to comply with these conditions shall be deemed a failure of the permittee to comply with the terms of this permit and the lease. The permittee shall require his agents, contractors, and subcontractors involved in activities concerning this permit to include these conditions in the contracts between and among them. These conditions may be revised or amended, in writing, by the mutual consent of the Division and the permittee at any time to adjust to changed conditions or to correct an oversight. The Division may amend these conditions at any time without the consent of the permittee in order to make them consistent with any new federal or state statutes and any new regulations.

THE STATE OF UTAH

By: _____

Date: August 10, 1995

I certify that I have read, understand, and accept the requirements of this permit and any special conditions attached.

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Authorized Representative of the Permittee

Date: Sept. 18, 1995